

THE INGENIOUS MAN.

His Invention Was Forgotten in Time of Need.

He was a very ingenious man. He had made an invention which was of great value. He thought so, at least, if the world did not, and he had his invention patented. It was a combination camp-stool, cane and umbrella. The cane was the usual form of the invention. At a big parade nothing could be more convenient, and for an ordinary, unexpected rainstorm, what could be better? A man is sure to have his walking stick with him.

It was not so very long after the invention had been perfected that the man was out walking with his wife, and a sudden shower came up. There were no cars accessible, and the only thing to do was to run, and the unlucky pair did this with a vengeance, reaching the house hot, uncomfortable, and pretty wet.

"Well, we are here at last," said the man, drawing a long breath of relief.

"Yes," said the wife, disconsolately, "but I think I have ruined my new bonnet. And, John Smith," she added, suddenly, with a little scream, "what do you think you have done? You had that old invention of yours—cane-camp-stool-umbrella affair—in your hand all the time ready for an emergency, and forgot to use it."

The man tells the story, and thinks it is a great joke.—N. Y. Times.

GAINED 22 POUNDS IN 5 WEEKS

From the By-Stander, Macomb, Ill.

Alderman Louis W. Camp, of our city, has quite astonished his friends of late, by a remarkable gain in weight. He has gained 22 pounds in five weeks. Those of his friends who do not know the facts of his sickness will read with interest the following:

"I was broken down in health and utterly miserable," said Mr. Camp to our reporter. "I was unable to work much of the time and so badly afflicted with a form of stomach trouble that life was a veritable nightmare."

"I tried various remedies, but during the six months of my sickness I obtained no relief. I had always been a robust, healthy man and sickness bore heavily upon me."

"About two years ago I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I purchased one box and received much benefit that I used five more and was entirely cured. I gained twenty-two pounds in five weeks. Since I stopped taking the pills I have scarcely had an ache or pain."



Interviewing the Alderman.

"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills restored me to health, and I most heartily recommend them."

L. W. Camp on oath says that the foregoing statement is true.

W. W. MELOAN, Notary Public.

Following is the physician's certificate as to Mr. Camp's present condition:

I am a regularly licensed physician of Macomb, McDonough County, Ill. I have very recently examined Mr. L. W. Camp as to his general physical condition and find the same to be all that could be desired, appetite and digestion good, sleeps well, and has all the evidences of being in a good physical condition.

SAMUEL RUSSELL, M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, 1897.

W. W. MELOAN, Notary Public.

Natural History.

Teacher—What can you tell me about the rabbit?

Pupil—Its left hind-foot is lucky.—Puck.

Give the Children a Drink

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it, because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about 2 1/2 as much as coffee. 15 and 25c.

Very few people care to be undertakers, yet a great many are willing to run funerals.—Washington Democrat.

Oh, What Splendid Coffee.

Mr. Goodman, Williams Co., Ill., writes:

"From one package Salzer's German Coffee Berry costing 15c I grew 300 lbs. of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 20 cents a lb."

A package of this and big seed catalogue is sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamp and this notice. Send for same to-day. 25

People always laugh at the first man to follow a new fashion, and at the last one to adopt it.—Athens Globe.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, nervous, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It is the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it to-day. At all druggists and shoe stores. 25 cents. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

A woman's idea of the best plastering is the kind you can drive a nail into anywhere.—Washington Democrat.

There is no reason why a calico dress should not look as well as a stuff dress if it is properly made. Get a piece of Simpson's Print and you can find nothing to equal it in quality, brilliancy of color or beauty of design. The name Wm. Simpson & Sons on the ticket is the best guarantee you can have.

A man would rather spend five dollars foolishly than to lose a nickel through a hole in his pocket.—Washington Democrat.

Fits stopped free and permanently cured. No fits after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Free trial bottle and treatise. Dr. Kline, 933 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

The best man is he who tries to perfect himself; and the happiest man is he who feels that he is perfecting himself.—Socrates.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

How many petitions have you signed without knowing what they were all about?—Rural New Yorker.

I can recommend Pilo's Cure for Consumption to sufferers from Asthma.—F. D. Townsend, Ft. Howard, Wis., May 4, '94.

The people who get the least mail are the worst kickers when the mail is late.—Washington Democrat.

Surely. Often after 10, 15, 20 years' suffering. St. Jacobs Oil cures rheumatism.

To-morrow will be like to-day. Life wastes itself while we are preparing to live.—Emerson.

Humped and bent. Lame back did it. Straight and sound. St. Jacobs Oil did it.

THE KLONDIKE YIELD IN 1898.

Miners Will Have to Hustle If They Make It \$10,000,000.

The gold output of the Klondike country for 1898, at the clean-up in June, will be between \$10,000,000 and \$12,000,000, according to the estimate of A. D. Nash, of Portland, who has just arrived from Dawson. He is an old-timer in the Yukon country, having mined along the tributaries of the Yukon, in British territory, since 1895.

But this estimate may be far too high, for everything is overrated in the Klondike country. Until recently the gold product of 1897 was figured at \$10,000,000. By degrees this exorbitant estimate suffered reduction. First it was cut in two. Now comes an official statement from Ottawa which places the output of 1897 at \$2,500,000. Estimates of this year's yield of gold run up to \$25,000,000. This is the figure given out by the combination having mines to sell. Since last fall over 300 men have arrived from Dawson with "claims" to sell. It is estimated that they have over 2,000 claims to put on the market. Some of these claims are mythical. All the surveys on earth could not locate them. Others are as valuable for placer mining as is Lincoln park in Chicago.

All these men agree that the Klondike claims will yield \$25,000,000 in gold this year. They also say that the Alaska Commercial company and the North American Trading and Transportation company hold in their safes at Dawson over \$7,000,000 of the yield of 1897. As a matter of fact, the companies at Dawson do not hold over \$1,000,000.

A little figuring will show how much work the Klondike miners will have to do to run their yield up to \$10,000,000. This winter 300 claims are being worked. To make the total reach \$12,000,000 the claims will have to produce an average of \$40,000 each. Now, these 300 claims are not of equal richness. Some may not yield \$5,000. Others may not pay for the wood burned to thaw the ground and thus make it workable. There are only 100 really rich claims in the entire district. These are on Bonanza, Eldorado and Hunker creeks. All other rivers, creeks and gulches in the Klondike country will be tail-enders when the spring clean-up is made.

Every foot of valuable ground, or ground believed to be valuable, within 75 miles of Dawson, in any direction, is staked. It is staked to last water, even to the tops of the trees, as the old Klondikers express it. The miners' real mining work begins at Dawson. Unless he has money to buy a claim already staked, or to buy provisions and food to enable him to get a lay from a claim owner, he must travel 75 miles from Dawson in order to prospect on ground which has not been taken up. Buying is an expensive luxury, as claims are held all the way from \$10,000 to \$100,000. To get a lay the miner must have money enough to buy wood at from \$25 to \$65 a cord and provisions at an average of 75 cents a pound. The cheapest course open to the miner is to prospect on his own account. That requires, as has been said, a journey of 75 miles from Dawson, over a hilly and mountainous country. Then the prospector must take his chances. He may make a stake and he may not. It is all speculation.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

WOMEN AS COMPOSERS.

Publishers Say Their Manuscripts Far Outnumber Those by Men.

A prominent publisher tells me that where, some years ago, only about one-tenth of the manuscripts submitted were by women, now their manuscripts outnumber those of the men two to one. While this ratio will not hold in published compositions, the rivalry is close even there. Women are writing all sorts of music. A few of them have already written in the largest forms, producing work of excellent quality and still better promise. It is in the smallest forms, however—in instrumental solos and short songs—that they have naturally found their first success. So good has their work been here that honesty compels the admission that hardly any living men are putting forth music of finer quality, deeper sincerity, truer individuality and more adequate courage than the best of the women composers. Besides these, there is a number of minor composers writing occasional works of the purest quality, and in art quality is everything.

As to nationality, one finds best represented the three countries that are now working along the best lines of modern music: Germany, of course (whose Clara Schumann wrote much that was worthy of serious consideration), France and America; for America, whatever its musical past, is surely winning its right to the place in this triumvirate of modern music. Its tendencies are toward the best things. Italy has recently had a flurry of new life and of growth away from the debilitating mawkishness into which it had drifted, but has not yet produced a notable woman composer. The other continental countries seem even more torpid; and, though English women have written much, they have not got beyond the prevailing cheapness of the English school, except, perhaps, in certain of the compositions of Mrs. Marie Davies and Miss Maud Valerie White.—Rapport Hughes, in Century.

The Billtops and the War.

"War," said Mr. Billtops, "is not a thing to be lightly thought of, and I would detract nothing from its dignity by the introduction of personal considerations. But do you know that Mrs. Billtops doesn't want me to go? This is certainly flattering to me, but I wonder what she would think of me if I didn't go?"—N. Y. Sun.

At! There's the Rub.

Smith—Pshaw! Man, you mustn't be daunted by trifles. The distance to the Klondike is no obstacle whatever.

Brown—I know that. It's not the distance up there that I was thinking about.

"What was it, then?"

"The distance from there here!"—L. To Date.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1897.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Sacque religious—the young woman who uses the church to advertise her new clothes.—Rural New Yorker.

Sore and stiff? Cold. St. Jacobs Oil the Cure. It warms and relaxes.

Empty wagons rattle most.—Washington (La.) Democrat.

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, March 24.

LIVE STOCK—Cattle, common, 3 30 @ 3 40

SELECT butchers, 4 15 @ 4 50

CALVES—Fair to good light, 6 25 @ 7 25

HOGS—Common, 3 25 @ 3 75

Mixed pack, 3 80 @ 3 90

Light shipper, 3 60 @ 3 85

SHEEP—Choice, 3 80 @ 3 90

LAMBS—Good to choice, 3 80 @ 3 90

FLOUR—Winter family, 5 00 @ 5 50

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2 red, 97 1/2 @ 97 3/4

No 3 red, 96 @ 96 1/2

Corn—No 2 mixed, 96 @ 96 1/2

Oats—No 2, 29 1/2 @ 29 3/4

Rye—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

Barley—Prime to choice, 9 25 @ 9 50

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, 10 10 @ 10 25

Lard—Prime steam, 4 10 @ 4 15

BUTTER—Choice dairy, 11 @ 12 1/2

Prime to choice creamery, 12 @ 12 1/2

APPLES—Per bbl, 3 00 @ 3 25

POTATOES—Per bbl, 2 25 @ 2 50

CHICAGO

FLOUR—Winter patents, 4 90 @ 5 00

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2 red, 1 03 @ 1 03 1/2

No 2 Chicago spring, 97 @ 97 1/2

CORN—No 2, 35 @ 35 1/2

OATS—No 2, 29 @ 29 1/2

RYE—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

BARLEY—Prime to choice, 9 25 @ 9 50

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, 10 10 @ 10 25

LARD—Prime steam, 4 10 @ 4 15

BUTTER—Choice dairy, 11 @ 12 1/2

Prime to choice creamery, 12 @ 12 1/2

APPLES—Per bbl, 3 00 @ 3 25

POTATOES—Per bbl, 2 25 @ 2 50

NEW YORK

FLOUR—Winter patents, 4 90 @ 5 00

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2 red, 1 03 @ 1 03 1/2

No 2 Chicago spring, 97 @ 97 1/2

CORN—No 2, 35 @ 35 1/2

OATS—No 2, 29 @ 29 1/2

RYE—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

BARLEY—Prime to choice, 9 25 @ 9 50

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, 10 10 @ 10 25

LARD—Prime steam, 4 10 @ 4 15

BUTTER—Choice dairy, 11 @ 12 1/2

Prime to choice creamery, 12 @ 12 1/2

APPLES—Per bbl, 3 00 @ 3 25

POTATOES—Per bbl, 2 25 @ 2 50

BALTIMORE

FLOUR—Family, 4 30 @ 4 40

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2, 97 1/2 @ 97 3/4

Southern—Wheat, 97 @ 97 1/2

Corn—No 2, 35 @ 35 1/2

Oats—No 2, 29 @ 29 1/2

RYE—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

BARLEY—Prime to choice, 9 25 @ 9 50

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, 10 10 @ 10 25

LARD—Prime steam, 4 10 @ 4 15

BUTTER—Choice dairy, 11 @ 12 1/2

Prime to choice creamery, 12 @ 12 1/2

APPLES—Per bbl, 3 00 @ 3 25

POTATOES—Per bbl, 2 25 @ 2 50

LOUISVILLE

FLOUR—Winter patents, 3 75 @ 4 00

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2 red, 1 00 @ 1 00 1/2

Corn—No 2, 35 @ 35 1/2

Oats—No 2, 29 @ 29 1/2

RYE—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

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PROVISIONS—Mess pork, 10 10 @ 10 25

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INDIANAPOLIS

GRAIN—Wheat—No 2, 97 1/2 @ 97 3/4

Corn—No 2, 35 @ 35 1/2

Oats—No 2, 29 @ 29 1/2

RYE—No 2, 52 @ 52 1/2

BARLEY—Prime to choice, 9 25 @ 9 50

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APPLES—Per bbl, 3 00 @ 3 25

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A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

INFANTS CHILDREN

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Old Dr. SAMUEL LEITCH

Pumpkin Seed, 1 lb.

Alum, 1 lb.

Castor Oil, 1 lb.

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Spring Medicine

These two words emphasize a necessity and indicate a remedy.

SPRING—the season when the blood is most impure as a result of the winter's closer confinement, higher living, slower action of the kidneys and liver; when humors of all kinds, boils, pimples and eruptions are most liable to appear; when the weak, languid condition of the whole bodily structure demands and welcomes help.

MEDICINE—that to which the millions turn at this season—Hood's Sarsaparilla. The original and only preparation especially adapted to the present needs of the human family; that which makes the blood pure and clean, as shown by its thousands of wonderful cures of dreadful blood diseases; creates an appetite and cures dyspepsia, as shown by its "magictouch" in all stomach troubles; steadies and strengthens the nerves, as proved by people formerly nervous, now calm and self-possessed, thanks to

Only those who have been relieved of great suffering can fully appreciate the gratitude with which the testimonials overflow written in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla. Just read this:

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